

<b>Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b>	<b>Applicant(s)</b>	
	10/072,057	STILLING, BERND	
	<b>Examiner</b>	<b>Art Unit</b>	
	Shi K. Li	2613	

**All Participants:**

(1) Shi K. Li.

(2) Peter Zura.
**Status of Application:** \_\_\_\_\_

(3) \_\_\_\_\_.

(4) \_\_\_\_\_.

**Date of Interview:** 21 August 2006
**Time:** 10:30 a.m.
**Type of Interview:**

- ☒ Telephonic  
☐ Video Conference  
☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

**Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated:** ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, provide a brief description: \_\_\_\_\_

**Part I.**

Rejection(s) discussed:

Claims discussed:

1 and 6

Prior art documents discussed:

**Part II.**
**SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:**
*Changing some terms to make them consistent and correcting typos.*
**Part III.**

- ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.  
☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.



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(Examiner/SPE Signature)

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(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

### EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Peter Zura on 21 August 2006 and 6 September 2006.

The application has been amended as follows:

In claim 1, line 8, "network nodes" has been replaced by ---at least one optical network node---.

In claim 1, line 13, "network nodes" has been replaced by ---at least one optical network node---.

In claim 1, line 15, "vector" has been replaced by ---vectors---.

In claim 1, line 19, "at least on" has been replaced by ---the at least one---.

In claim 6, line 4, "further" has been replaced by ---second---.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Shi K. Li whose telephone number is 571 272-3031. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday (8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jason Chan can be reached on 571 272-3022. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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